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Createspace, United States, 2012. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 226 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*. The Back Page is a terrific read, in the words of John Lane, who began his career in journalism in Chicago before moving on to executive positions at CNN, CBS News, and NBC News. It is an insider s tribute to a great American newspaper, the Chicago Daily News and its colorful and gifted reporters and editors. Many of those editors and reporters had come out of the Twenties era of Chicago journalism so memorably captured in the classic Broadway play The Front Page -- which played its role in giving a title to this book about events not in a press room but a city room two decades later. The time is the last year of World War II, with all its historic events and headlines -- when the author is a copygirl and young staffer -- then moves on to the post-war years, offering personal glimpses of both the historical figures of the time -- President Harry S. Truman, General Dwight D. Eisenhower, Admiral William F. Wild Bull Halsey, Vice President Alben W. Barkley, Senator Robert A. Taft, Governor Adlai E. Stevenson -- and those who shone on the stage and screen -- Frank Sinatra, Danny Kaye, Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz, Jimmy Durante, Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis, June Allyson, Peter Lawford, Andy Williams, Esther Williams, Mike Wallace, Gertrude Lawrence, Lena Horne, Marlene Dietrich, Burt Lancaster, Cecil B. DeMille, Claudette Colbert, Pat O'Brien, Jane Russell, Rosalind Russell, Hoagy Carmichael, Irving Berlin. There are anecdotes. One-liners. Up close glimpses of the famous . and the legends, in the newspaper business and show business. Many of these come out of press parties. Some out of...

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